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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Office of the Speaker

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Renata Hesse
Antitrust Division, Department of Justice
601 D Street, NW, Suite 1200
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Attorney Hesse:

I am writing this letter as a State Representative to express my support on behalf of a settlement that has been proposed in case of the United States v Microsoft.

Finally an agreement has been reached in this case that has gone on for too long. It is an amazing achievement and I hope that you will award this by approving it as fast as possible. The federal government needs to focus its resources and time on more important matters facing our country not on litigating companies like Microsoft, etc.

As a State Representative I work hard to make sure that the money the citizens taxpayers of New Hampshire give to State government is spent wisely and believe the same needs to be done nationally. It is my understanding Microsoft's competitors spurred this case. It has taken too long and it has gone too far spending taxpayer's dollars. However great their frustrations are when competing with the excellence of Microsoft's products, they should not be allowed to carry these legal proceedings on any longer.

The time has come to end this case and the needless expending of millions of taxpayers dollars. It is not longer necessary or appropriate. In this time of economic uncertainty, we need to be looking for ways to spend government money (tax payers' dollars) more wisely.

In conclusion, I am asking that you please approve this settlement between the United States v Microsoft. Thank you for your public service.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carlos Gonzalez".

Carlos Gonzalez
State Representative
Hillsborough County, District 48
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